Church Givings: If you have offerings for the church, you may:

- drop them off at the drop box on the front steps (to the right). This mailbox is monitored regularly.
- **e-transfer** to admin@ascensionnl.ca. Be sure to indicate where you would like your donation allocated.
- contact the office to sign up for **preauthorized givings**. Church number is 368-5693 or email <u>office@ascensionnl.ca</u>.
- If you have givings at home and you are unable to bring them to the church, please let us know and we will arrange to have them picked up.

Food Bank: The bins for food collection are empty! With food insecurity on the rise, we ask you to **please remember those in need.** When you are picking up your groceries, **please add an item or two** and drop it in the food bank box at the entrance of the church. Thank you to all parishioners who have contributed to the food bank. Items are much needed and greatly appreciated!

Community Supper Take-out Meal: This is a hot, free take-out meal.



The meal will be served from the **entrance** of the Church of the Good Shepherd on Richard Nolan Drive, on **Wednesday, March 20.** If you, or someone you know, could use a hot meal, please come by and pick one

up. Meals will be available from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m.

Services		
Wednesday, March 13	7:00 p.m.	BCP/Service of Compline
Lent V Sunday, March 17, 2024	11:00 a.m.	BAS/HE

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The Venerable Nancy March,

Priest-In-Charge (709-631-1929) Robert Barnes, Warden for Priest-in-Charge Randy Spurrell, Peoples' Warden Lester Pike, Assistant Peoples' Warden

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LENT IV Mothering Sunday Sunday, March 10, 2024

- Lections: Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107: 1 3; 17 22 (*Refrain: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good*); Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21
 11:00 a.m. BAS/HE Officiant/Homilist: Archdeacon Nancy March
 Readers: Margaret Yetman; Mildred Pretty
 Hymns: 524, 173, 429, 66 & 386, 486
- The Annual General Meeting will take place immediately **following the 11 a.m. service today**. If you are unable to attend the AGM in person, you may join the meeting virtually via livestream on our usual

social media platforms. We hope to see you there!

The next 8:30 BCP service and Ascension Café is scheduled for Sunday, March 17.



Scents in Church: Our church is a scent-free zone, and we ask that you refrain from wearing scented products, such as after shave, perfume, and scented lotions, etc., while attending. Thank you for your cooperation.

"God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life." John 3.16



Spring Dinner: On **Thursday, April 11**, we are hosting a **Spring Dinner** and time of fellowship. The meal will be a hot roast beef dinner with all the trimmings and blueberry pudding with sauce for dessert! Entertainment provided by **The Salt Meat**

Junkies. Tickets are \$30 each and are available for pick up after the 11 a.m. service or from the church office Monday to Friday, 9 to 12 noon. Our past few events have sold out quickly so get your tickets early as there will be a limited number available! Don't' be disappointed!

Rescheduled - Potluck Supper: The Potluck Supper that was scheduled for Thursday, March 7 has been rescheduled to **Monday**, **March 11 at 6 p.m.** Hopefully Mother Nature will cooperate, and we will be able to proceed with this one!

Volunteers Needed: On **March 20,** the Parish of the Ascension is hosting the Community Supper for those in need at the Church of the Good Shepherd. We are seeking volunteers to assist with the preparation of this meal from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on that day. If you are interested in helping with this ministry, please contact Roger Learning. Thank you.

Daylight Savings Time: This **Sunday, March 10,** is the beginning of Daylight Savings Time. Don't forget to set your clock ahead one hour before you go to bed!



Revised Ascension Café Schedules: The Ascension Café schedule has been revised. The new copies have been posted on the bulletin board in the side foyer and in the kitchen.

Sidespersons Name Tags: There are a number of new sidespersons who do not have name tags. If you do not have a name tag, please indicate this on the schedule posted on the bulletin board in the side foyer. Thank you.

Maundy Thursday Renewal of Vows: On Maundy Thursday, we gather with our fellow clergy to renew our commitment to serve Christ and his people through our ordination vows. However, let us not forget that the ministry of Christ is not limited to the ordained, but it includes all of us through our baptism. This year, we will

celebrate our baptismal ministry by including the ministry of lay people with a License for Ministry in our Diocese. Our Licensed Lay Ministers and Eucharistic Assistants will have the opportunity to renew their commitment to their particular ministry in Christ's Church. Join us on **Thursday, March 28, at 10:30 a.m.** at the Cathedral, and clergy are invited to robe (the colour is white). Our guest preacher will be the Rev. Dr. Lisa Barrowclough. Reverend Lisa is a 1999 M.Div. graduate of Queen's College and a 2009 graduate of Virginia Theological Seminary with the degree of Doctor of Ministry in Educational Leadership. She has served in various capacities in parish and diocesan ministry in the Dioceses of Edmonton, Southwest & Southeast Florida, Georgia, and currently Washington, DC. Reverend Lisa is an Affiliated Faculty member at Virginia Theological Seminary and is currently the Chaplain at Beauvoir; the National Cathedral Elementary School (Washington, DC).

Vestry Requirements: We are currently seeking people interested in joining the following committees:

- Vestry This would involve participating in periodic meetings, either in person or virtually via Zoom.
- Recording Secretary (Vestry) This position would require recording the minutes of the meeting only.
- Cemetery Committee Representative

Vestry meetings will be held every four to six weeks (or less if not required). If you are interested in any of these ministries, please contact Reverend Nancy or the church office.

The CFUW Giant Book Sale 2024: 56 Kenmount Road (the former Bouclair site on the Avalon Mall parking lot). **Do you have books to donate?** Collection of gently used fiction, non-fiction, and children's books will take place February 24 - March 12; 7 days a week, 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (We cannot accept encyclopedia, magazines, textbooks, Readers Digest books, computer books with publication dates before 2020, or VHS and cassette tapes.) **Do you need more books?** Of course you do! Come to our sale: March 21, 1:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; March 22, 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.; March 23 (half price day), 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Proceeds go to scholarships and community outreach projects. Thank you for your support!